

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE



**OFFICIAL WARNING**  
**VIOLATION OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS**

**CASE NUMBER:**

NC10013-AC

**VIOLATOR:**

Leslie A. Dotson

**ADDRESS (Street, City, State, ZIP Code):**

472 Poplar Springs Road  
Kingston, TN 37763

The U.S. Department of Agriculture has evidence that on or about the date(s) listed below, you or your organization committed the following violation(s) of Federal Regulations:

**Date of Violation: July 10, 2009**

**15 U.S.C. § 1824(2) Unlawful Acts**

The (A) showing or exhibiting, in any horse show or horse exhibition, of any horse which is sore, (B) entering for the purpose of showing or exhibiting in any horse show or horse exhibition, any horse which is sore, (C) selling, auctioning, or offering for sale, in any horse sale or auction, any horse which is sore, and (D) allowing any activity described in clause (A), (B), or (C) respecting a horse which is sore by the owner of such horse.

You allowed entry, and intended to ride "Hitman on Parole" and "The Jazzhouse," at the Land O' Sky Summer Festival Horse Show. Your horses were found to be sore (9 C.F.R. § 11.2(a)) and in violation of the Horse Protection Act.

**Date of Violation: July 10, 2009**

**15 U.S.C. § 1824(7) Unlawful Acts**

The showing or exhibiting at a horse show or horse exhibition; the selling or auctioning at a horse sale or auction; the allowing to be shown, exhibited, or sold at a horse show, horse exhibition, or horse sale or auction; the entering for the purpose of showing or exhibiting in any horse show or horse exhibition; or offering for sale at a horse sale or auction, any horse which is wearing or bearing any equipment, device, paraphernalia, or substance which the Secretary by regulation under section 1828 of this title prohibits to prevent the soring of horses.

Your horses "Hitman on Parole" tested positive for Decamethylcyclopentasiloxane (B10), Benzocaine and multiple hydrocarbons; and, "The Jazzhouse" tested positive for Decamethylcyclopentasiloxane (B10), prohibited foreign substances (9 C.F.R. § 11.2(c)), at the Land O' Sky Summer Festival Horse Show.

The Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) created federal regulations to ensure the welfare of animals and help prevent the spread of animal and plant pests and diseases. Since violations of the regulations can have serious and costly impacts that are detrimental to the public interest, APHIS is providing you with an Official Warning for the violation(s) described above. Any further violation of these federal regulations may result in the assessment of a civil penalty, criminal prosecution, or other sanctions. If you have any questions concerning this Official Warning or violation(s), please contact the APHIS official listed in this notice.

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